

Application No. 10/669,313
Amendment "B" dated March 22, 2006
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REMARKS

This paper is presented in response to the Office Action. The Office Action noted a drawing inconsistency with the specification in that Figures 19A-24B are contained in the Drawings but are not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings section in the specification. Accordingly, by this paper the specification in the present application has been amended at page 12 to add reference to the aforementioned drawings. Additionally, by this paper the specification has also been amended at page 33 to add a description of the aforementioned drawings. These amendments to the specification are based on the specification of the parent application, U.S. Patent No. 6,626,918, ("the '918 patent") which issued on Application Serial No. 09/680,837, filed October 6, 2000, and which is incorporated by reference in the present application at page 1, lines 6-11. Specifically, the amendments made herein are based on the passages in the '918 patent specification at column 5, lines 3-14 and column 12, line 33 to column 15, line 32. Thus, since the amendments to the specification are based on the '918 patent, which is incorporated by reference in the present application, no new matter is involved. It is noted that the cited passages were added to the '918 patent during its prosecution based on the incorporation of U.S. Patent No. 6,461,364.

In light of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that (i) no new matter is being added by this amendment, and (ii) the inconsistency between the drawings and the specification has been corrected and the present application is in condition for allowance. In the event that the Examiner finds remaining impediment to a prompt allowance of this application that may be clarified through a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned attorney.

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